Statement

Component-wise Targeted Area of Coverage of Afforestation Under Revised Long Term Action Plan (RLTAP) for KBK Districts of Orissa During Tenth Plan

(area in hectares)

S. No.	Plantation Component/Year	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06 (proposed)
1.	Economic (Teak)	4405	4800	3670	2500
2.	NTFP	1000	1000	770	500
3.	Bamboo	500	1000	905	500
4.	IMFWPI	2000	1800	2490	1600
5.	Aromatic Plantation	0	2500	0	1200
	(a) in-situ				
	(b) Ex-Situ	0	100	200	200
6.	RDF	6000	4500	5000	3600
	TOTAL	13905	15700	13035	10100

Shortage of water in Keoladeo National Bird Sanctuary

3934. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:
DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Tourism and Wild Life Society of India (TWSI) has written to Government that there is acute shortage of water at the Keoladeo National Bird Sanctuary in Bharatpur, Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the alternative plans Government are considering to address the problem; and

(d) the other sanctuaries in the country where similar problems may occur in the near future and steps taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Society has highlighted the problems faced by the Park during 2004 due to non release of water from Banganga and Gambhir Rivers.

(c) The Government is providing necessary technical and financial assistance to the State for providing water through a number of pumps in the Park to tide over this problem. The State Government has also submitted a project for dedicated pipeline from Chambal River to ensure continuous supply of water to the Park.

(d) No such report regarding other Sanctuaries has been received by the Government.

Mangrove plantation along the coastline

3935. DR. RADHAKANT NAYAK:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the impact of the recent Tsunami in the coastal districts of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Orissa was greater due to the disappearance of mangrove forests on the coastline as reported in the press;

(b) whether Government propose to have a fresh look at the problem and go in for an aggressive mangrove plantation scheme along the coastline of the country; and

(c) if so, the details of planning thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) As per the available report from Forest Survey of India only a slight decrease in area under Mangroves had been noticed in Andhra Pradesh. There is no evidence of a direct and proportional correlation between impact of Tsunami and density of mangroves. The impact of Tsunami is determined by a number of factors